

SAMPLE BALLOT  
NONPARTISAN TICKET  
GENERAL ELECTION  
NOVEMBER 7, 2000  
PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 1

A vote FOR this proposal will provide that the candidates for Governor of each party, as chosen at the primary elections, shall choose a person to be their running mate (candidates for Lieutenant Governor) on the general election ballot, and at the general election in November the voters shall cast one vote jointly for the two.

A vote AGAINST this proposal will continue the present system whereby each party's candidates for Governor and Lieutenant Governor are chosen separately at the primary elections to run as a team at the general election.

A constitutional amendment to change the method of nominating and electing the Lieutenant Governor.

☐ For

☐ Against

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 2

A vote FOR this proposal, which would add a new section 10 to Article XVII (the Schedule Article), would require the language of the State Constitution to be "gender neutral," and would direct the Secretary of State to revise and reprint the State Constitution implementing this provision as soon as practicable after the approval of this amendment.

A vote AGAINST this proposal will retain in the State Constitution those provisions not currently gender neutral.

A constitutional amendment to state that the language in the Constitution shall be construed to be gender neutral and to direct the Secretary of State to revise and reprint the Constitution to implement such construction.

☐ For

☐ Against

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 3, PARTS A, B, & C

PROPOSED AMENDMENT 3, PART A

A vote FOR this proposal will add a new section to Article XVI (the Amendments Article), to change the procedure used to amend the Constitution. The change will require two separate votes at two separate elections by the people before an amendment can take effect. The first vote will be to adopt the amendment. If the first vote is affirmative, the second vote will be at a subsequent election to ratify the amendment.

A vote AGAINST this proposal will leave the election procedures for constitutional amendments unchanged.

A constitutional amendment to change election procedures for constitutional amendments to require two separate votes by the electorate.

☐ For

☐ Against

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 3, PART B

A vote FOR this proposal will amend sections 1 and 5 of Article III (the Legislative Power Article) and section 25 of Article V (the Judicial Article), by specifically defining the powers of the initiative (to propose statutes or constitutional amendments) and referendum (to approve or reject such proposals), and will remove some obsolete language pertaining to the former two-house Legislature.

A vote AGAINST this proposal will not state the specific definitions mentioned above and will retain the obsolete provisions contained in these sections of Articles III and V.

A constitutional amendment to identify the powers of initiative and referendum and to remove obsolete language.

☐ For

☐ Against

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 3, PART C

A vote FOR this proposal will amend section 2 of Article III (the Legislative Power Article, initiative and referendum provisions) by increasing from four to nine months the time within which initiative petitions filed with the Secretary of State shall be submitted to the state's electors at a general election.

A vote AGAINST this proposal will retain the present time limit of not less than four months.

A constitutional amendment to change filing requirements for initiative petitions.

☐ For

☐ Against

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 4

A vote FOR this proposal will amend section 19 of Article III (Legislative Power Article) by providing that changes in the compensation of judges will take effect at the same time for all judges rather than on a court-by-court basis.

A vote AGAINST this proposal will keep the current provision regarding the different effective dates for changes in compensation for judges.

A constitutional amendment to change the effective date of compensation changes made by the Legislature for the judiciary to allow the changes to take effect for all judges at the beginning of the full term of any judge of any court in the state.

☐ For

☐ Against

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 5

A vote FOR this proposal (which will amend section 9 of Article III of the State Constitution – The Legislative Power Article) will provide that a member of the Legislature elected to any other state or local office prior to the end of the member's legislative term shall resign from the Legislature before the start of the legislative session during which the term of the other state or local office will begin, except as otherwise provided by law.

A vote AGAINST this proposal will not require such resignation of a member of the Legislature if elected to another state or local office.

A constitutional amendment to require the resignation of members of the Legislature elected to other state or local offices except as otherwise provided by law.

☐ For

☐ Against

INITIATIVE MEASURE NUMBER 415

A vote "FOR" will amend the Nebraska Constitution so as to limit members of the Nebraska Legislature to two consecutive terms. Under this amendment, no person will be eligible to serve as a member of the Nebraska Legislature for four years after the completion of two consecutive legislative terms. Legislative service prior to January 1, 2001, will not be counted for calculating consecutive terms, and service in office for more than one-half of a term will be considered service for a full term.

A vote "AGAINST" will not amend the Nebraska Constitution so as to impose the legislative term limits described above.

Shall the Nebraska Constitution be amended to provide that no person shall be eligible to serve as a member of the Nebraska Legislature for four years after the expiration of two consecutive legislative terms? Legislative service prior to January 1, 2001, will not be counted for the purpose of calculating consecutive legislative terms, and service in office for more than one-half of a legislative term will be considered service for a full term.

☐ For

☐ Against

INITIATIVE MEASURE NUMBER 416

A vote "FOR" will amend the Nebraska Constitution to provide that only marriage between a man and a woman shall be valid or recognized in Nebraska, and to provide that the uniting of two persons of the same sex in a civil union, domestic partnership or other similar same-sex relationship shall not be valid or recognized in Nebraska.

A vote "AGAINST" will not amend the Nebraska Constitution in the manner described above.

Shall the Nebraska Constitution be amended to provide that only marriage between a man and a woman shall be valid or recognized in Nebraska, and to provide further that the uniting of two persons of the same sex in a civil union, domestic partnership, or other similar same-sex relationship shall not be valid or recognized in Nebraska?

☐ For

☐ Against